

ARTICLE III
Beach Bonfires
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§ 174-3. Permits for beach bonfires.

A. Definitions. As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

BEACH BONFIRE — A contained fire constructed for the gathering of individuals on Borough public beaches.

B. Beach bonfire permit.

(1) No person shall use any public beach in the Borough for use of a bonfire without first obtaining a special event permit in accordance with § 174-1A through D of this chapter.

(2) A person seeking issuance of a special event permit to conduct a beach bonfire shall file a special event application with the Borough Clerk, together with a nonrefundable application fee of \$200.

(3) The applicant will also be required to post a security deposit of \$200 at the time of application. The deposit will only be returned after the area has been inspected by the Police Department and said area has been restored to its prior condition by the applicant.

(4) The applicant must also execute a hold harmless indemnification agreement with the Borough of Beach Haven.

(5) The applicant must provide a Beach Haven address on application.

C. Restrictions of beach bonfires.

(1) Bonfire permits will only be issued from September 16 through June 14 inclusive.

(2) Bonfires may only be held between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(3) The area which may be utilized for a beach bonfire shall be designated by the Superintendent of Public Works or, in his absence, the Chief of Police.

(4) Permittees shall not suffer, permit or allow loud or boisterous conduct during the bonfire which may endanger or be likely

to endanger persons or property or which will harass or annoy neighboring property owners or tenants.

- (5) No alcoholic beverages shall be permitted on the beach at any time during the bonfire.
- (6) No person or group shall use or place on the Borough beaches any type of wood or similar flammable material containing nails, screws, staples or any other hazardous material which may remain on the beach after. Neither will any wood or similar material treated with creosote or any other hazardous substance be used on Borough beaches for beach bonfires or any other use. Wood must to be inspected immediately prior to the bonfire by the Beach Haven Police Department.
- (7) The Beach Haven Police Department and Beach Haven Public Works Department shall have exclusive authority to order the termination of the use of beaches by an applicant in the event that it is determined by either the Police Department or a representative of the Department of Public Works that the utilization of the beach is causing an eminent threat or obvious distraction to surrounding property owners or other persons utilizing the beach.